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Bothwell Lines.

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O Woe be unto Pretacie,
That ever it did stand,
And woe be to your new made Lawr;
but and your cursed Bands.

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And woe be to you Prelates all
if you do not repent,
For ye have banished Christ away
and broken his Covenant.

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You Prelates ay when that you look
you do mistake the Figure,
You think it service good enough
to press the Poor with Rigour.

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Our whorish Council apostates
bath made a foul Defection,
For they have shed the righteous Blood
since Prelats their Election.

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Our Teachers they have banished,
from City and from Town,
And raised up a perjur'd pack
to trade the Gospel down.

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Although that Clavers should go mad
 and all his Men had sworn,
 The Lord did order us and he,
 our Foes ihen back did turn.

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We were assembled for to hear
 the joyfull sound I say,
 But we were ne're amind to fight,
 upon a Sabbath-day.

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This Clavers now of whom I speak,
 a Tirant stout was he,
 A sudden deed him overtake,
 for he began the Plea.

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He came full far to seek a Plea,
 he met with one that day,
 His Men were killed in open Field,
 himself wan ill away.

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He ran a long way on his Foot,
 his Horse did him forlorn,
 Dismounted was his Trumpeter
 that blew the brasen horn.

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And then they fled to Glasgow Town,
 with many wounds and Pricks.
 They made a Trench about the Cross
 with many Boards and Sticks.

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When we had gathered our Prisoners
 was left in Evendail,
 Then we persued to Glasgow-town
 the morn, yea without fail.

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We entered into Glasgow town
 at all the enteries four,
 The timber trenches was so hie
 that we could not win ov'r.

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But yet we put them in a fear
 and then returned again,
 Unto the gliming streams of Clyde,
 and Camped on the Plain.

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Upon the blconing trees of Clyde
 we laid our Lignour down,
 Our Friends resorted unto us
 from City and from Town.

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And for this End they did draw up,
 their whole mischievous Troups,
 And brought them in be Lerrick Town,
 to search the Land throughout.

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And killed all that they did find,
 the Gospel that did preach;
 And made a final End of all,
 that would not serve the Beast.

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And then they came to such a Height,
 to persecut the Band,
 And never to hear the Gospel preach'd
 almost into this Land.

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And now they are not settled yet,
 for all the Wrongs they did,
 They think for to disthrone our King,
 the Crown take off his Head.

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It would take up now too much Time,
 to set down all Things here,
 How Prelates have us persecute
 this more than Twenty Year.

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But now to crown all their Mischief
 which they have further done,
 They think to make an end and lay
 on him a Burial stone.

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They did discharge us for to hear
 his honest Servanes Preach,
 And threatened Death unto all those
 the Gospel that did teach.

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They were so mad against the Truth
 that they would give no bield,
 To Christ nor to his followers
 in City nor in Field.

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These perjured Troups did still go on
 in bloodie Cruelty,
 And took our Friends at Glasgow Town
 to send beyond the Sea.

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When we drew up into the West
 our dearest blood to spill,
 And for our Cov enants we fought
 that day at Lowdin-hill.

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When they appear at the latter day
their Tales will have no bearing,
I hope its be their hinder end,
their Covenants Menswearing.

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When we drew up into the West
against those Insurrections,
At Pentlandhills there we did fight,
to Witness against Defections.

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They burried Christ at Pentlandhills,
that day at Rullein green,
But yet the Lord will rise again,
and reign in Zion King.

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For there a King in Zion was,
when Man that there was none,
And there shall be a King in it,
when this King shall be gone.

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When this was done they did us turn
back into Edinburgh Town,
Our cursed Council did command
to put the Prisoners down.

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Both Heads and Hands they did stick up
 in every publick Town,
 The reason was we would not yeild
 to every Bishop Lown.

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But evermore the Martyrs Blood
 the Churches seed doth prove,
 But and the Church found on a Rock
 nothing shall her remove,

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For in that time the seed was sown
 th t ever since hath grown,
 That all the powers of Prelacie
 shall never get overthrow.

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Our whorish Council did devise,
 an other evil Design,
 An hellish band they did contrive,
 which was a devilish thing.

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And for to bring this thing about,
 some Lords out of the North,
 Came with a drift of Amorites,
 out ov'r the Water of Forth.

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For to defend in our Gods Name,
the Golpe in our Land,
The which we solemnly had sworn,
yea with uplifted Hand.

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We were ingaged in Covenant
Christ and his Cause to win,
And for to bring the banished home,
and ding the Prelates down.

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For we had rather loss our Lives
and dy in open Field,
Before we would perjure our seules,
to Prelacie to yeild.

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For they did ly at Glasgown-town
and we in open Field,
Untill the time they fled away
to Stirling to get beild.

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They marched east throw Lithgow-town
for to enlarge their Forces,
And sent for all the North-Country,
to come both Foot and Horses.

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Montrose did come and Athole both,
 and with them many more,
 And all the Highland Amorites,
 that had been there before.

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The Lowdien-Mallisha they
 came with their Coats of Blew,
 Five hundred Men from London came
 claid in a reddish hew.

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When they were assembled one and all
 a full Brigade were they,
 Like to a pack of belish hounds,
 roeing after their prey.

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When they were all provided well,
 in Armour and Amonition
 Then thither wester did they come
 most cruel of Intention.

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When they came in by Blackburn Town,
 and there lay down to rest them;
 And then to plunder they began
 of all they had they rest them.

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It would have made an whole Heart sore
 to see them so abused ;
 And there they lay for many a day,
 Starving for Hunger and Cold.
 Our Cursed Council did command
 they over the Seas were sold ;
 Then Arazion did undertake,
 to go to new plantations.

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And to remove them far away,
 one of their Native Nations ;
 But Judgment shall him overtake
 either here or hereafter.
 When Lords of Council shalt not then
 be able him to shelter,

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They did not send them to the Sea,
 not only for their Lives
 For two they hang'd in *Edinburgh* town
 and five of them in *Fife*.
 For such a bellish pack as they
 I think shall never renown ;
 That sent the wounded Prisoners,
 into the Sea to drown.

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For of two hundred Prisoners;
 That to the Sea did go,
 Was never Man returned at all
 but only fiftie two.
 And now they are not settled yet,
 though they be Inbrewed in Blood;
 They are begun a new again
 to prsecute most rude.

With Fining and with Roberie,
 the Poor they did opprels,
 And all that on Gods Name do Call,
 either in more or less.
 When they fend out their hellish hounds
 an Inventaer to take.
 Although the Man be never so poor,
 the fyne they will not lake.

They call us rebels to the King,
 and traitors to the Crown :
 Because we'll not Menswear our selves
 for every Bishop Lown.
 But we will not acknowledge them,
 nor own them as our head,
 Nor will embrace no mortal Man,
 into our Masters stead.

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And many Grooms were in a gait,
that were stout Men before :
This was a day of sad reproach,
and of Great Lamentation.

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The Laws of God, were broken down
the Glory of our Nation ;
Then Mr. *Hamilton* did Command
some says he was to blame.

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Because he was not Valiant,
in battle for Gods Name ;
But whether Guilt or Ignorance
God knoweth and himsell.

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For whether of the two it was
my Author does not tell ;
The Men who at the Bridge did stand
did Amonition laike.

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And no relief at all they got ;
and so they did draw back
The Horse Men they did flee away
and left the Foot behind.

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he enemy did seize on them,
 for all the rest were gone :
 When the Enemy had won the Bridge
 the westland Men did flee.
 he *Englishmen* and *Clavers* both
 did kill them Grievouslie :
 and all along throw Hamilton Town
 they did both kill and wound.

Until the Streets with Bodies Dead,
 was Covered in the Town
 some were dead and some were sick,
 and some were sorely wounded.
 they drove them East like unto sheep,
 before the Dogs were hounded.
 when some were dead & some were sick,
 and some for Quarters Cryed.

and many a brave Gallants Blood,
 upon the Ground there lyed
 they took twelve Hundred Prisoners :
 when fighting it was done.
 and on the morn when it was Day
 they gathered all right soon (Yeard
 they drove them to the Gray friers
 and there they were Inclosed. It

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When they came in by the *Whitebur*
and be *Pockemet* Town :
Upon the hight of the Moorhead
they laid their *Ligour* down.

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And there they lay until the time
that Ordinance was ready ;
Both Knight and Knave and Musquiti
must have a *Ligour* Lady.

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Then *Monmouth* down from *Lond*
for to govern the Battle,
On Saturday late they took the Gate :
with many Drovers of Cattle.

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They marched Closly in the Night,
and had their Soldiers ranked
I trow their tails they were right bra
with bulls and open fanked.

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They marched clos by Tuck of Dru
in that most worldly Gaise ;
And then drew near to *Botbwell* Tow
white as the Sun did raise.

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When as we saw them first appear
 and for the Battle drest,
 To keep the Entries of the Bridge :
 we thought it was the best.

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Some Men were set to keep the Bridge,
 who plaid their part full well ;
 While Ammunition did remain
 they made their foes to reel :

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When the Enemies came near the Bridge,
 into their full bragades
 Stilling their Cannons us before,
 Discharging at our Lads.

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And then the Battle it did Join,
 each one did charge the other :
 The longest Gun a vollie gave,
 aloud like Musket smother.

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It would have made a Coward fear'd
 to hear such Cracks of war
 For many Sables were made toom,
 the shooting was so fore.

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We shall prove Loyal to the King,
 throw City and throw Town,
 If they will place our Ministers,
 and ding the Bishops down
 The Bishops they are hie in power,
 and sets themselves as Lords,
 But when the wheel of fortune turns,
 beware of sharp rewards.

The Bishops they betrayed the Church
 of God within this Land :
 And they have set themselves as heads,
 above the Church to stand,
 But yet I hope to see the day,
 when he will it recal.
 And bring us ba k from *Babylon*,
 in spite of Prelates all.

The Prelates they are but bastard weeds
 and wounde at the root,
 There's nothing grows on them but
 or then some withered fruit. (leaves
 But when the Master Gardiner comes
 and sees how blait they are like,
 He'l neither dig nor delve no more
 but cast them ov'r the Dyke.

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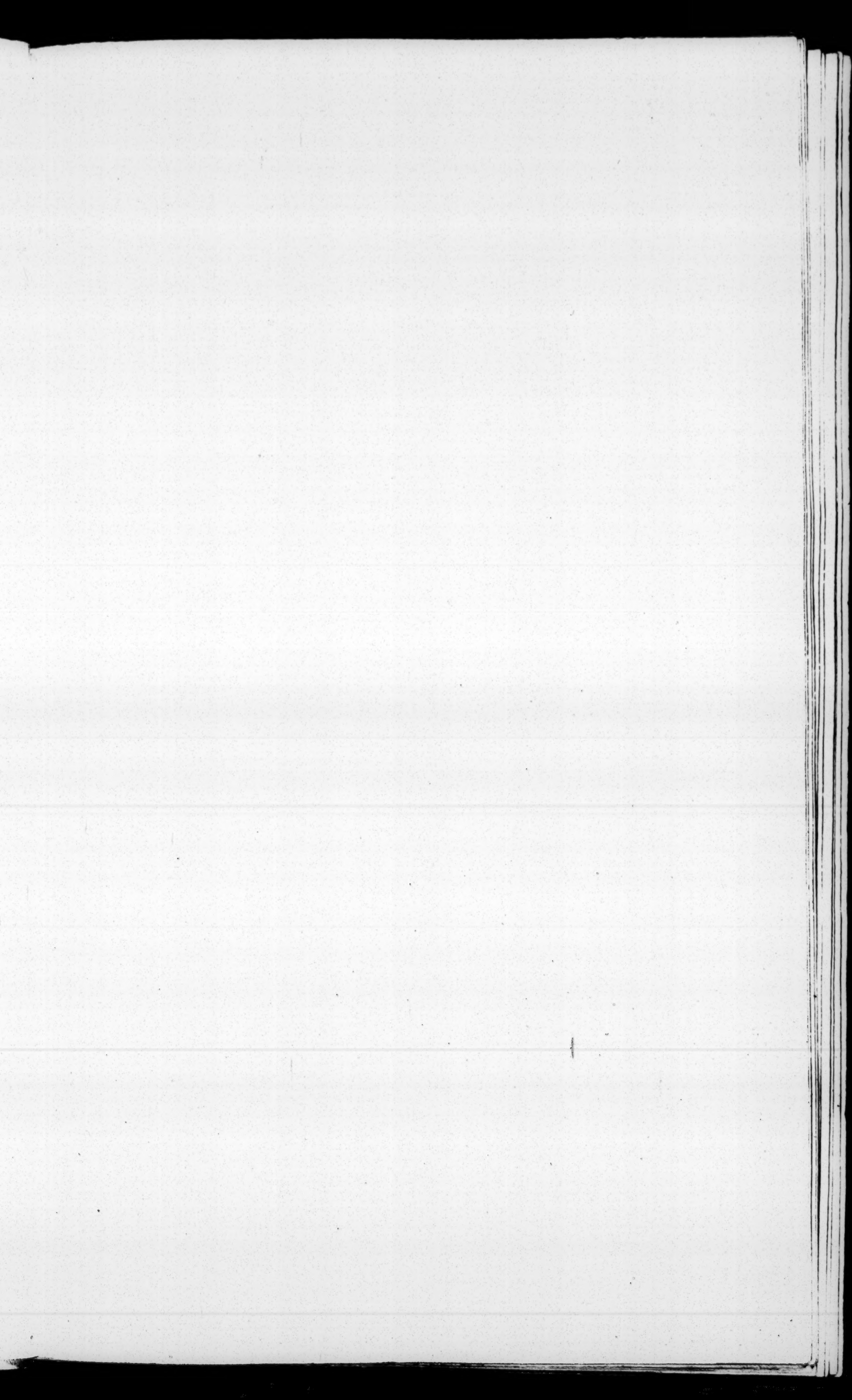
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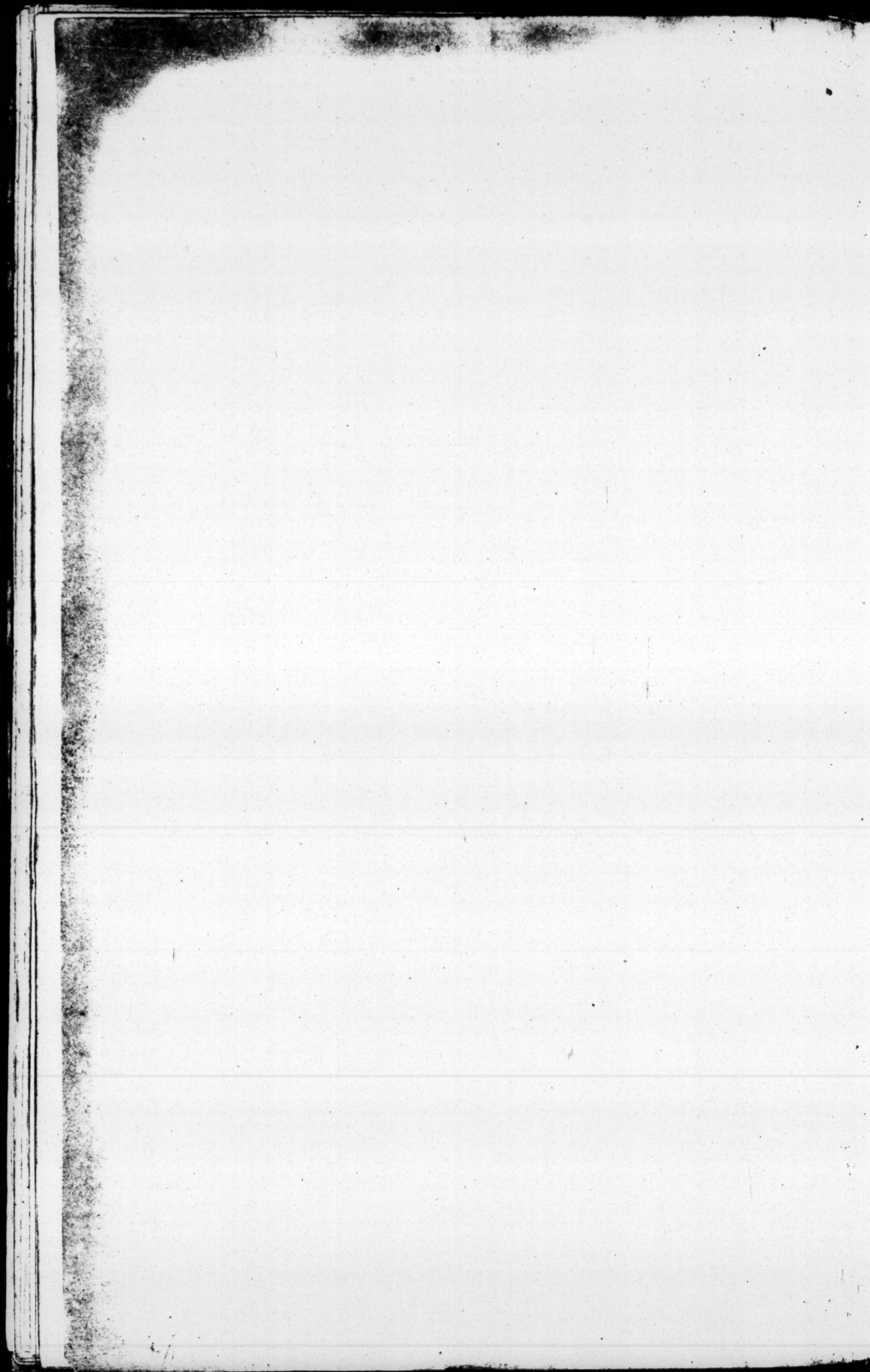
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